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October 8, 1996

Mr. William F. Caton
Acting Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Washington D.C. 20554

Re: Notice of Ex Parte Presentation; CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Mr. Caton:

I am writing to advise you, pursuant to Commission Rule 1.1206, that at the request of Mr. Terry Monroe of the New York Public Service Commission, I submitted written *ex parte* comments on or about September 5, 1996 relevant to the above docket. The comments responded to a question from Mr. Monroe concerning whether the end user line charge is less than \$3.50 for any residential customers in urban areas. A copy of the communication is attached.

This is being submitted in an original with one copy. A copy of this letter has been sent to Mr. Monroe.

Sincerely,

Peter M. Bluhm
Director of Regulatory Policy

cc: Mr. Terry Monroe
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Mr. Terry Monroe
New York Public Service Commission
Three Empire State Plaza
Albany, New York, 12223-1350

Dear Terry:

This is to further follow up on your inquiry of August 7. I spoke with Josephine Simmons of the D.C. Commission who confirms that D.C. customers pay an end user line charge of \$2.95. She also mentioned that the Commission expects the line charge to increase in the near future to \$3.50, but she doesn't know why this would happen.

I also enclose NECA's list of 61 study areas in the NECA pool that charge their own rate for the end user charge, not \$3.50. I am advised that one should disregard the handwritten comments on the sheets. The NECA list includes only those companies in the NECA pool, and thus presumably excludes the RBOCs which I understand do not participate in the common line pool. As you know, in many cases it is the RBOCs that serve the larger urban areas.

It's hard to tell from the names on the NECA list where these companies serve. Some, like Dunkirk & Fredonia or the El Paso Telephone Company, would appear to serve at least mid-sized communities. You may be interested to note that three companies on the list are Alltel companies in New York State. Two of these companies serve Fulton and

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Jamestown; I have to concede that one might be hard pressed to describe the residents of these two particular communities as "urban customers."

In summary, it seems that there are three score non-RBOC study areas where the LECs charge less than \$3.50. Also, D.C. area customers pay less than \$3.50, at least at the moment. I don't have data on other RBOC areas.

Feel free to write or call if I can be of further assistance. Once again, since I am responding to your request I assume that I do not need to file an *ex parte* notice. I would appreciate it if you would advise me if this assumption is incorrect.

Sincerely,



Peter M. Bluhm
Director of Regulatory Policy

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cc: Joel Shifman (with enclosure)
Larry Lackey

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SAC ID	SAC NAME	TYPE	REGION	OCL	TS	EU
158091	DUNKIRK & FREDONIA	0	1	Y	Y	Y
220377	PINELAND TEL COOP	0	2	Y	N	Y
230474	CONCORD TEL CO	0	2	Y	N	Y
278429	EAST ASCENSION TEL	0	2	Y	N	Y
288446	RAY SPRINGS TEL CO	0	2	Y	N	Y
330895	CENTURY OF WISCONSIN	0	2	Y	N	Y
330948	RHINELANDER TEL CO	0	2	Y	N	Y
330952	SE TEL OF WISCONSIN	0	3	Y	N	Y
330963	UTELCO, INC	0	3	Y	Y	Y
330974	WOOD COUNTY TEL CO	0	3	Y	Y	Y
340973	ALABAMA-GRANTFORK	0	3	Y	N	Y
340984	CASS COUNTY TEL CO	0	3	Y	N	Y
341083	EGYPTIAN COOP ASSN	0	3	Y	N	Y
341084	EL PASO TEL CO	0	3	Y	N	Y
341089	C-R TEL CO	0	3	Y	N	Y
341012	FLAT ROCK TEL CO-OP	0	3	Y	N	Y
341020	GRAFTON TEL CO	0	3	Y	N	Y
341023	GRIDLEY TEL CO	0	3	Y	N	Y
341025	SHAMREE TELEPHONE CO	0	3	Y	N	Y
341026	HARRISONVILLE TEL CO	0	3	Y	N	Y
341032	HOME TEL CO-ST JACOB	0	3	Y	N	Y
341037	IL CONSOLIDATED TEL	0	3	Y	N	Y
341043	LA HARPE TEL CO	0	3	Y	N	Y
341045	LEAF RIVER TEL CO	0	3	Y	N	Y
341048	MCHASS TEL CO	0	3	Y	N	Y
341049	MADISON TEL CO	0	3	Y	N	Y
341052	MONTROSE MUTUAL TEL	0	3	Y	N	Y
341060	MOULTREE INDEPENDENT	0	3	Y	N	Y
341066	ONEIDA TEL EXCHANGE	0	3	Y	N	Y
341088	MARASH TEL COOP, INC	0	3	Y	N	Y
341091	WOODHULL COMMUNITY	0	3	Y	N	Y
341093	YATES CITY TEL CO	0	3	Y	N	Y
150106	ALLTEL NY-FULTON	0	4	Y	N	Y
150109	ALLTEL NY-JAMESTOWN	0	4	Y	N	Y
150113	ALLTEL NY-RED JACKET	0	4	Y	N	Y
178176	ALLTEL PENNSYLVANIA	0	4	Y	N	Y
218336	ALLTEL FLORIDA INC.	0	4	Y	N	Y
228557	ALLTEL GEORGIA INC.	0	4	Y	N	Y
238476	ALLTEL CAROLINA-NO	0	4	Y	N	Y
248517	ALLTEL SO CAROLINA	0	4	Y	N	Y
250382	ALLTEL ALABAMA	0	4	Y	N	Y
268402	ALLTEL KENTUCKY	0	4	Y	N	Y
288453	ALLTEL MISSISSIPPI	0	4	Y	N	Y
388666	WESTERN RESERVE TEL	0	4	Y	N	Y
401729	WALNUT HILL TEL CO	0	4	Y	N	Y
411764	ELKHART TEL CO INC	0	4	Y	N	Y
421865	CITIZENS TEL CO - MO	0	4	Y	N	Y
421882	FIDELITY TEL CO	0	4	Y	N	Y
421885	ALLTEL MISSOURI	0	4	Y	N	Y

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431965	ALLTEL OKLAHOMA, INC	C	4	Y	N	Y
432011	OKLAHOMA ALLTEL, INC	C	4	Y	N	Y
442147	SUGAR LAND TEL CO	C	4	Y	N	Y
442153	TEXAS-ALLTEL, INC.	C	4	Y	N	Y
532362	CANDY TEL ASSN	C	5	Y	Y	Y
542324	KERNAN TELEPHONE CO	C	5	Y	N	Y
542338	SIERRA TELEPHONE CO	C	5	Y	N	Y
492272	ROOSEVELT CNTY RURAL	C	6	Y	N	Y
512297	UNION TELEPHONE CO	C	6	Y	N	Y
351105	AYRSHIRE FARMERS MUT	C	7	Y	N	Y
351327	WEBB-DICKENS TEL	C	7	Y	N	Y
381637	W. RIVER TELECOM.	C	7	Y	N	Y

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